

Members Present:

Doreen Prouty – Chair  
Vincenzo Ronghi - Alternate  
Aldo Mancini - Alternate

Members Absent:

Richard Maggi – Vice Chair  
Gary Geiger – Clerk

Also Present:

Hope Goff

Via Zoom

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Chairperson Prouty opened the meeting at 6:30 PM. She explained the Town of Agawam virtual public meeting protocol during the Covid-19 State of Emergency.

1. PUBLIC HEARING – Special Permit – Cellco d/b/a Verizon Wireless – 128 Southwick Street – Case# 1999  
Members sitting on this case: Doreen Prouty – Chairperson, Aldo Mancini – Acting Vice-Chair, and Vin Ronghi – Acting Clerk

There were several people present from Verizon Wireless: Michael Fenton, Jay Latorre, Greg Sykier, David Vivian, Kip DeVito, Mike Libertine, Ellen Freyman and Stephen Sobey.

Chairperson Prouty began by saying that the Public Hearing was not closed at the last meeting as there was another balloon float to take place on March 23, 2021. She said there is no new information except the balloon float. She asked if there were any comments from the members. There were none. She asked if anyone else wished to speak. No hands were raised. She then asked Attorney Fenton if he would like to add anything. He thanked everyone involved with the process.

Chairperson Prouty explained the 20 day appeal period and closed the Public Hearing. She then opened the Public Meeting for discussion of the members. She asked Member Mancini if he felt the Board should be granting this Special Permit. He replied yes. She asked Member Ronghi if he felt the Board should be granting a Special Permit. He replied yes.

Chairperson Prouty reviewed the Board of Appeals findings for this case. All members agreed with the findings and voted separately to accept. She then asked the members if there were any other findings. Members Mancini and Ronghi said no.

Chairperson Prouty called for a vote to grant the Special Permit for Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless – 128 Southwick Street – Case# 1999.

The members voted individually: Mancini – yes, Ronghi – yes, Prouty – yes

Chairperson Prouty then said that based on its findings, the Board is of the opinion that this request for a special permit has met all the requirements and therefore by unanimous vote of its three members, the Agawam Zoning Board of Appeals grants a Special Permit to construct a personal wireless service facility located at 128 Southwick Street with conditions.

All 3 members then discussed the conditions to be attached to this special permit. Each condition was individually voted upon and separately approved by the 3 members sitting on this case.

## 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Member Mancini and seconded by Member Ronghi to approve the minutes of March 22, 2021 as written.

Mancini – yes, Ronghi – yes, Prouty – yes.

## 3. ANY OTHER MATTER THAT MAY LEGALLY COME BEFORE THE BOARD

Chairperson Prouty said the election of officers will not be done today as the 2 other regular Board members are absent. She will postpone the election to the next Board meeting.

Motion was made by Member Ronghi and seconded by Member Mancini to adjourn the meeting. Ronghi-yes, Mancini – yes, Prouty-yes.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Submitted by hpg

